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"THE PAINTER OF A
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UGLY
FAT
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OFF MY
WAIST!

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the right was ME a few
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THE HUMAN TORCH

IS DESTINED TO BECOME THE STILL-LIFE VICTIM OF

"THE PAINTER OF A THOUSAND PERILS!"

THERE! LOOKS LIKE A PAINTING OF THE TORCH'S FINISH, DOESN'T IT? BUT THAT'S THE EERIE PART OF IT... IT'S NOT JUST A CANVAS PICTURE! IT'S THE REAL THING! THREE MEMBERS OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR WILL SOON DESTROY THE FIERY MEMBER OF THEIR FAMED QUARTET... AND IT IS I WHO'S CAUSING THIS FATAL DOUBLE CROSS WITH MY MAGIC PIGMENTS!

SORRY BRAT... BUT THIS IS CURTAINS!! YOU WON'T LEAVE THIS ASBESTOS-LINED CELL ALIVE!

NO! DON'T!! REED... THING!! ... YOU'RE MY FRIENDS! SUE! YOU'RE MY OWN SISTER! YOU CAN'T BE OUT TO DEFEAT ME!

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DAY IN, PAYOUT, THE BATTLE BETWEEN CRIMINAL AND LAW OFFICER IN THE BIG CITY HAS ONE CUSTOMARY ENDING...

OKAY, YOU HOODS
... INTO THE PATROL
WAGON!

BAH! WE DIDN'T STAND A
CHANCE OF GETTIN' AWAY! THREE
MINUTES AFTER WE PULLED THE
JOB, THE COPS HAD A PROWL CAR
ROAD-BLOCKING EVERY INTER-
SECTION IN TOWN!



AND, IN THE CEASELESS COMBAT BETWEEN GOOD AND
EVIL, THE HUMAN TORCH DOES HIS SHARE TO BRING
ABOUT THE DEFEAT OF THE UNDERWORLD...

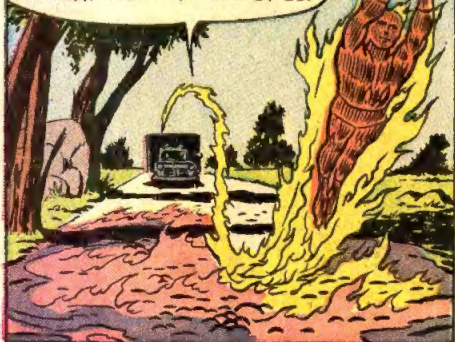
QUICK, TORCH,
THOSE HIJACKERS
ARE ESCAPING
WITH A TRUCK-
LOAD OF PRECIOUS
FURS!

RELAX... AND LEAVE
'EM TO ME!

**FLAME
ON!**

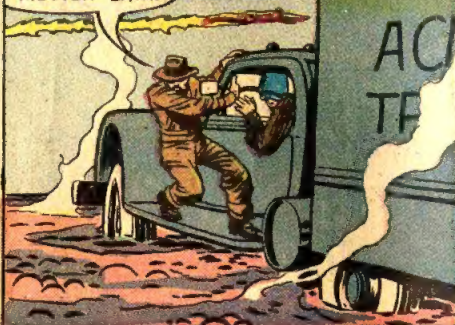


HOLY SMOKES! THE HUMAN TORCH
HAS SPOTTED US... AN' LOOK WHAT HE'S
DOIN'! HE'S MELTIN' THE ASPHALT
HIGHWAY RIGHT IN FRONT OF US!



SECONDS AFTER...

OMIGOSH! THE TRUCK IS BOGGED
DOWN AN' WE CAN'T GET OUT! THE
ROAD'S BUBBLIN' LIKE RED-HOT
MOLTEN LAVA!



THAT NIGHT, AT A BIG CHARITY MASQUERADE BALL...

STOP THE
MUSIC! THIS
IS A STICKUP!
EVERYBODY LINE
UP AGAINST
THE WALL!

GOOD GRACIOUS!
THOSE FOOLISH THIEVES
DON'T REALIZE THAT
JOHNNY STORM...

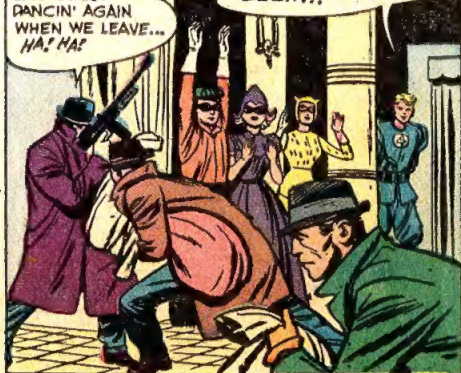
SWAN, ELLEN... THEY'LL FIND
OUT SOON ENOUGH THAT THE
HUMAN TORCH IS HERE! SO
DO WHAT THEY SAY! IF I ATTACK
THEM NOW, THEY MIGHT HURT
SOMEONE WITH A STRAY BULLET!



PRESENTLY, AS THE CROOKS COLLECT A FORTUNE IN GEMS...

THANKS, FOLKS,
FOR BEIN' SO
GENEROUS! YOU
CAN START
DANCIN' AGAIN
WHEN WE LEAVE...
HA! HA!

THAT THUG TIMED HIS LAUGH
PERFECTLY, ELLEN... BECAUSE
THE FUN IS JUST ABOUT TO
BEGIN!!



FLAME ON!

LOOK!!
IT-- IT'S
THE
HUMAN
TORCH!!



AN INSTANT LATER, IN THE LOBBY...

YOU GUYS CAN'T
RUN FAST
CARRYING THOSE
HEAVY SACKS!
SO...



...I'LL JUST
LIGHTEN YOUR
LOADS!

...THE TORCH!!
HE'S CUT AWAY OUR
LOOT WITH PAIRS OF
FLAMIN' SCISSORS!



STAY AWAY,
TORCH...OR
WE'LL OPEN
FIRE ON THOSE
INNOCENT
BYSTANDERS!

LOOK WHO'S TALKING
ABOUT 'FIRE'! ALL I
HAVE TO DO IS PUFF
A FEW TIMES, AND...

PUFF!
PUFF!
PUFF!



SMOKE
RINGS!!
THEY'RE
ENCIRCLIN'
US LIKE
LASSOS!

(GASP!)
I...I...I
CAN'T
BREATHE!
I CAN'T
SEE!!

THE SMOKE'S
OVERCOMIN'
ME... OHNNNN!



LATER, WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVE...

COUGH! THANKS AGAIN, TORCH, FOR
COUGH! PUTTING THE HEAT ON THE
CROOKS IN THIS CITY! THEY
SHOULD REALIZE BY NOW, WITH
YOU HELPING THE POLICE, THEY
HAVEN'T A CHANCE!

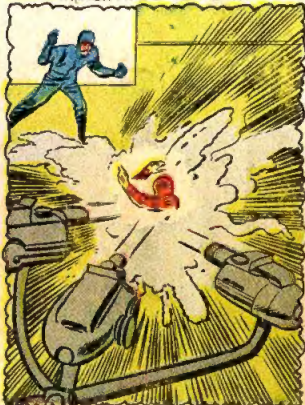
BUT THEY DON'T!
LIEUTENANT! BECAUSE
IF CROOKS WEREN'T
STUPID, THEY WOULDN'T
BE CROOKS!



MARK MY WORDS, RIGHT NOW SOME MASTER CRIMINAL OR EVIL GENIUS IS FIGURING OUT SOME SO-CALLED BRILLIANT SCHEME TO GET RID OF ME! IT'S HAPPENED BEFORE...



THE WIZARD TRIED TO TURN MANKIND AGAINST ME! THE DESTROYER ALSO TOOK A WHACK AT DOING ME IN!



PASTE-POT PETE, AND EVEN ZEMU, DESPOT OF THE 5TH DIMENSION, TRIED TO DESTROY ME! LUCKILY, THEY ALL FAILED...



BUT I'M NOT KIDDING MYSELF! SOONER OR LATER, SOME OTHER KOOKIE CHARACTER, BENT ON GAINING POWER OR UNDESERVED WEALTH, WILL TRY TO ERASE ME FROM THE PICTURE! AND WHO KNOWS? MAYBE NEXT TIME MY LUCK WILL RUN OUT... AND HE'LL SUCCEED!



PROPHETIC WORDS! FOR THE NEXT DAY, AT THE UPTOWN HEADQUARTERS OF GANGSTER CHIEF "SCAR" TOBIN...

BLAST THE TORCH! HE'S MAKIN' THINGS SO TOUGH, WE CAN'T EVEN STEAL A NICKEL FROM A BLIND MAN'S CUP WITHOUT GETTIN' CAUGHT!



IT'S WILHELM VAN VILE, THE COUNTERFEITER THE TORCH CAUGHT... BUT WHO BUSTED OUT OF JAIL LAST WEEK!

YOU HAVE AN EXCELLENT MEMORY, PUNK! AND SO HAVE I! I CANNOT FORGET THE TORCH... OR FORGIVE HIM FOR CAPTURING ME!



NOBODY'S INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU FORGET OR FORGIVE, VAN VILE! THE COPS ARE LOOKIN' FOR YOU AND SINCE YOU ALWAYS HAD A REPUTATION FOR CARELESSNESS, YOU'VE PROBABLY LEFT A TRAIL THEY'RE FOLLOWING TO MY PLACE NOW! SO TAKE OFF!

SORRY "SCAR"! I'M NOT AFRAID OF THE POLICE OR YOU!



YOU AIN'T, EH? NICK, SAM, EDDIE ...THROW THE CREEP OUT!

SO YOU'RE ORDERING THREE OF YOUR GORILLAS TO EJECT ME, EH, "SCAR"? YOU'VE GOT A LOT TO LEARN ABOUT WILHELM VAN VILE, THE GREATEST PAINTER ON EARTH!



NEXT MOMENT...

LOOK WHAT HE PAINTED... AND AT LIGHTNIN' SPEED! A THREE HEADED GORILLA WITH SIX ARMS!

VERY OBSERVANT OF YOU! NOW OBSERVE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT! I'M ISSUING TELEPATHIC ORDERS TO THE PAINTING TO THROW YOU THREE "GORILLAS" OUT!



THE PAINTING'S COMIN' ALIVE! IT'S HEADIN' FOR US!

EXACTLY! WHATEVER I PAINT, MIRACULOUSLY BECOMES REAL AND CARRIES OUT MY TELEPATHIC COMMANDS!



YEOWOOOWW! OHHHH! NOW I NEED ONLY MAKE A MAGIC PASS AND THE PHENOMENON DISAPPEARS AS QUICKLY AS IT APPEARED!



THIS IS ONLY SOME KIND OF PHONY MAGICIAN'S TRICK! THE SAPS GOT US HYPNOTIZED SO THAT WE BELIEVE ANY ILLUSION HE STUFFS INTO OUR HEADS! MIKE, GET RID OF 'IM!

ILLUSIONS, EH? YOU FOOLS NEED MORE CONVINCING...

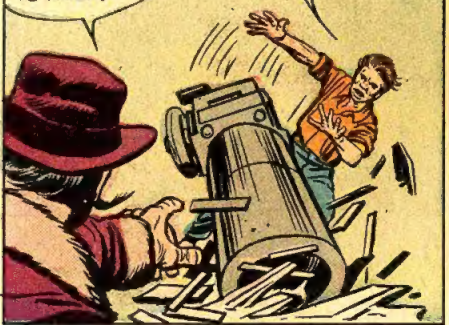


...SO MIKE, I'LL PAINT A REALLY BIG GUN ONTO YOUR TRIGGER FINGER INSTEAD OF THAT .38 REVOLVER!



HERE'S A 16 INCH NAVAL CANNON! IT MIGHT BE A BIT INCONVENIENT TO HOLD!

YIIII... IT WEIGHS TONS!



IDIOT! THAT HUNK OF ARTILLERY WILL BREAK THROUGH EVERY CEILING AND FLOOR TILL IT HITS THE BASEMENT! THEN THE COPS WILL SWARM UP HERE AND GET US!



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THE HEAT'S ON

THE city suffered under the onslaught of the summer's first heat spell. It was as though a huge tarpaulin had been stretched across the tips of the buildings, choking off the free circulation of air and smothering the sluggish civilization below. The streets were damp and steaming. Some strollers were moving slowly, their clothes stained with sudden sweat. It was hot out. What was worse, there seemed no escape.

Even the Tylers were staggered by it. Situated in a snug, suburban home, nothing normally upset this neat family unit of three. The Tylers usually adhered to a rigid routine. John would return from work every day at 6 p.m., promptly peck his wife on the cheek, wash his hands and face, and be at the dinner table by the time Mary had carried the steaming dishes in from the kitchen. Bobby would be at his accustomed place, looking bright-eyed and fresh-scrubbed.

Tonight, everything was different. John sauntered in the door at 6:15, smiled weakly at his wife, stripped off his jacket and shirt and sprawled wearily

on the couch. His son flashed a bare greeting. Mary's apron was awry, her hair disheveled, and her figure slumped with fatigue. It was she who finally broke the silence.

"In a way I'm glad you're tired, John," she announced spiritlessly. "Dinner's late. I just couldn't get things started in time today. I don't know what's come over me, but I'll get everything done while you're resting."

"You don't know what's come over you," her husband echoed. "I don't know what's come over this whole town. This heat and humidity is hitting everybody as never before. Nobody has enough energy to do anything. I don't even care about dinner tonight. I'd just like to find some way to keep cool."

"We could buy an air conditioner, John," his wife spoke up hopefully. "In that way we could remain inside and never worry about that old weatherman."

"We could have bought an air conditioner," John corrected her glumly. "The first day this heatwave struck, I thought about buying one. I discarded the idea

because it represented too big an expense to condition the whole house. Now, I don't care about the expense, but there are no conditioners to be bought... anywhere. There's been a run on appliance stores, and they don't even have a small window fan left to sell. As a matter of fact, the shopkeepers have closed up and gone home to keep cool. I've checked all over town, and we're just out of luck."

"Maybe I could help out, Dad," Bobby Tyler suddenly piped up. "I can't stand this heat any more either, and the radio weatherman said that there was no relief in sight. It's a sudden, unaccountable switch in weather, but there's no sense in our just sitting around and sorrowing over it."

"Well, you do have the right attitude," his father admitted, "but what could you possibly do to help out?"

"Why I could build us a big window fan that would suck out all the stale air and humidity from the house," Bobby replied with all the poised certain-

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DON'T PANIC, SCAR! AS I TOLD YOU WILHELM VAN VILE IS A GENIUS AND HIS PAINTS ARE PURE MAGIC! OPEN THE WINDOW AND COLLECT YOUR HOODS! WE'RE LEAVING HERE ON A MAGIC CARPET!



AND SO...

OKAY, VAN VILE! I'M CONVINCED YOU'RE NOT A PHONY! BUT HOW'D YOU DISCOVER THOSE MAGIC PAINTS?

I OWE IT ALL TO THE TORCH! YOU SEE, IN THE BEGINNING, I TRIED TO BE A GREAT ARTIST! BUT EVERYBODY LAUGHED AT MY WORK! THEY SAID I HAD NO TALENT!



"SO TO MAKE MONEY, I COPIED FAMOUS PAINTINGS AND TRIED TO SELL THEM AS ORIGINALS! BUT THE POLICE WERE MOST UNSYMPATHETIC!

YOU'RE TOO CARELESS TO BE A GOOD FORGER, VAN VILE! YOU FORGOT TO GIVE THE "MONA LISA" A SMILE, AND YOU COLORED THE "BLUE BOY" GREEN!



"SO I WENT TO PRISON FOR THREE YEARS! WHEN I GOT OUT, I TURNED TO COUNTERFEITING, AT WHICH I WAS MORE OF A SUCCESS!"

THESE ONE DOLLAR BILLS ARE GREAT, VAN VILE! WE'LL PASS FIFTY GRAND OF 'EM EASILY! BUT WE COULD REALLY CLEAN UP ON FIVE DOLLAR BILLS!

GOOD! I'LL GET TO WORK ON AN ENGRAVING OF LINCOLN!

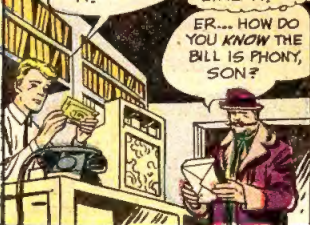


"WELL, THE FIN PROVED MY UNDOING! ONE DAY, TO TEST THE DOUGH, I WENT INTO A BOOKSTORE WHERE A TEEN-AGE KID HELD A PART-TIME JOB..."

THIS MONEY IS COUNTERFEIT, MISTER! I'LL HAVE TO PHONE THE POLICE SO THEY CAN QUESTION YOU ABOUT WHERE YOU GOT IT!

DRA! THAT BRAT! I CAN'T MEET THE POLICE! I'M CARRYING FIFTY BILLS JUST LIKE IT!

ER... HOW DO YOU KNOW THE BILL IS PHONY, SON?



BECAUSE ABE LINCOLN HAS LONGS-SIDE-BURNS AND THIS LINCOLN FACE HAS SHORT SIDE-BURNS! SO JUST STAY PUT WHILE I GET A POLICEMAN!



LISTEN, LITTLE FOOL! MAKE ONE OUTCRY AND IT'LL BE YOUR LAST! JUST WALK OUT OF HERE QUIETLY AND GET INTO THE CAR PARKED IN FRONT!



"THE KID SEEMED MEAK AND FRIGHTENED... BUT WHEN WE REACHED THE HIDEOUT, IT WAS A DIFFERENT STORY..."

LOTS OF MONEY HERE! BUT IF YOU ASK ME... IT'LL BE TOO HOT TO PASS!

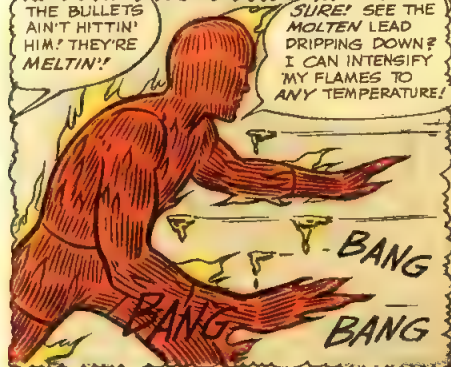
HEY... HE'S SETTIN' FIRE TO THE BOODLE WITH HIS FINGER TIPS!



"BUT THEN A FANTASTIC THING HAPPENED! AS I EMPTIED MY REVOLVER AT THE HUMAN FURNACE..."

THE BULLETS AIN'T HITTIN' HIM! THEY'RE MELTIN'!

SURE! SEE THE MOLTEN LEAD DRIPPING DOWN? I CAN INTENSIFY MY FLAMES TO ANY TEMPERATURE!



OKAY, VAN VILE, THAT EXPLAINS HOW THE TORCH SENT YOU TO PRISON AN' WHY YOU HATE HIM! BUT HOW'D YOU FIND THIS MAGIC PAINT?

WELL, WHILE I WAS IN PRISON, I LOOKED FOR A WAY TO BREAK OUT!



"A SECOND LATER, THE KID TURNED OUT TO BE..."

VAN VILE... YOU NITWIT? YOU KNOW WHO YOU BROUGHT BACK HERE? THE HUMAN TORCH!

RIGHT! I ONLY WENT ALONG WITH VAN VILE SO HE COULD LEAD ME TO YOUR HIDEOUT!

BLAST YOU, TORCH! I'LL GET YOU FOR TRICKING ME!

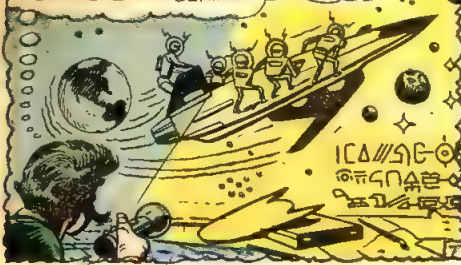


BUT THE HOTTER IT IS, THE FASTER MY FLAME BURNS OUT! SO, TO PLAY SAFE, I'LL JUST IMPRISON YOU IN A HOOP OF FIRE TO KEEP YOU HERE TILL THE POLICE ARRIVE!



"LUCKILY, I FOUND A WEAK SECTION OF FLOORING IN MY CELL! IT TOOK ME MONTHS, AFTER SMUGGLING IN A SHOVEL AND FLASHLIGHT, TO DIG A TUNNEL UNDER THE PRISON WALL! THEN ONE NIGHT, I BROKE INTO A STRANGE UNDERGROUND CAVERN..."

HEY!! THERE'S A MURAL ON THE WALL, SHOWING ALIENS FROM SOME OTHER PLANET SOARING INTO SPACE, LEAVING EARTH BEHIND...



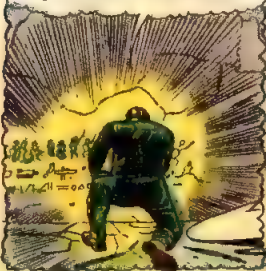
"I EXAMINED THE MURAL."

"I CAN TELL THE AGE OF THE PICTURE FROM ITS STYLE! IT'S ABOUT A MILLION YEARS OLD! SOMETHING IN THE SEALED ATMOSPHERE OF THIS CAVERN PRESERVED THE MURAL TO THIS DAY..."



"I LOOKED AT THE BRUSHES. THEN THE PAINTS? THEY WERE AS FRESH AS THE DAY THEY'D BEEN MIXED! THEN I TRIED TO DECIPHER THE HIEROGLYPHIC WRITING ON THE WALL."

"IT'S SIMILAR TO ANCIENT EGYPTIAN PICTURE-WRITING WHICH I'VE STUDIED! BUT WHAT I'VE DECODED SOUNDS FANTASTIC! IT SAYS THE PAINT HAS MAGICAL PROPERTIES!"



"WHATEVER THE ARTIST ILLUSTRATES WITH THE PIGMENTS COMES TO LIFE... AND UNDER THE COMPLETE COMMAND OF THE ARTIST!"

"IF THAT'S TRUE, THESE ALIENS TRAVELED THROUGH SPACE BY PAINTING THEIR VOYAGES TO AND FRO! BUT SOMETHING MUST'VE HAPPENED TO THEM BEFORE THEY LEFT THE CAVERN! MAYBE SOME PREHISTORIC CREATURE GOT THEM!"



"SUDDENLY, THERE WAS A SOUND LIKE THUNDER AND I WHIRLED IN TERROR! THERE'D BEEN A CAVE-IN! -- I WAS ENTOMBED!"

"I'LL NEVER DIG MY WAY BACK TO THE PRISON OR TO FREEDOM NOW! I'LL DIE OF LACK OF OXYGEN IN A FEW HOURS! THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY OUT! IF IT WORKS!!"



"DESPERATELY I BEGAN TO PAINT A PICTURE OF MYSELF MOVING UNHARMED TO THE SURFACE! TO MY SHOCK, THE BRUSHES MOVED AT LIGHTNING SPEED!"

"THESE PAINTS HAVE OTHER SUPERNATURAL POWERS! THEY MAKE AN ARTIST DRAW WITH MANY TIMES HIS NORMAL SPEED!"



"TO MY AMAZEMENT, I FELT MYSELF SHOOT UPWARDS, FEELING NO PAIN, NO IMPEDIMENT, THOUGH I WAS MOVING THROUGH SHEER ROCK!"

"IT'S WORKING! THE MAGIC WORKS!"



"I SURFACED IN THE WOODS JUST BEYOND THE PENITENTIARY..."

"THAT RUMBLING NOISE SOUNDS LIKE THE CAVE-IN SPREAD TO THE CAVERN, DESTROYING IT AND ITS MURAL FOREVER! I JUST ESCAPED IN TIME... TO BECOME THE MOST POWERFUL MAN ON EARTH!"



THAT'S WHY I SOUGHT YOU OUT, "SCAR"! YOUR MOB WILL BE THE FIRST RECRUITS FOR A HUGE UNDERWORLD ARMY I'M GOING TO LEAD AND RULE! BEFORE I'M THROUGH, CRIME, **NOT JUSTICE**, WILL PREVAIL ON EARTH... AND ILL BE THE KING OF CRIME!



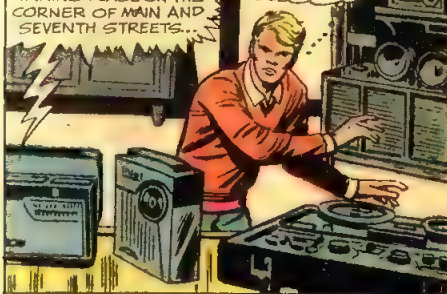
AS FOR THE HUMAN TORCH, I'LL MAKE HIM A **TEST CASE** AND **YOU'LL** BE MY EYE-WITNESS! I COULD DESTROY THE TORCH INSTANTLY, BUT THAT WOULD BE TOO **SIMPLE** A FINISH! NO, BEFORE HE'S THROUGH, I'LL AMUSE MYSELF BY DRIVING HIM MAD WITH WORRY AND FEAR...



AND SO, DAYS LATER, AS JOHNNY STORM SHOPS FOR HI-FI EQUIPMENT!

CALLING ALL POLICE CARS AND **THE TORCH**, IF HE'S LISTENING! JEWEL ROBBERY TAKING PLACE ON THE CORNER OF MAIN AND SEVENTH STREETS...

HHMM... THE TORCH IS LISTENING ALL RIGHT! THAT JEWELRY SHOP IS JUST A BLOCK AWAY!



BUT, AS THE TORCH STREAKS TO THE HOLDUP SITE...

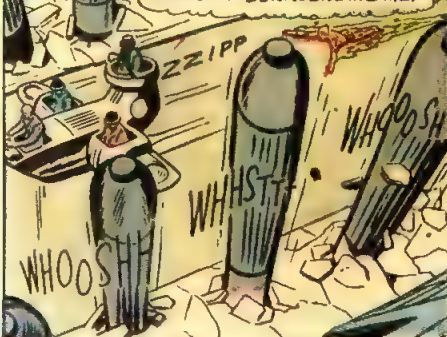
HERE COMES THE TORCH **NOW!** IS HE IN FOR A SURPRISE!

IT'S "SCAR" TOBIN AND HIS GANG! BUT... WHERE DID THAT QUEER FLYING CONTRAPTION, RESEMBLING THE **FANTASTIC FOUR'S FANTASTICAR**, COME FROM?



THEN, AMAZINGLY, AN EVEN **STRANGER** THING HAPPENS...

FLICKERING FIREFLIES! GIGANTIC FIRE HYDRANTS RISING OUT OF THE PAVEMENT... **SURROUNDING ME!**



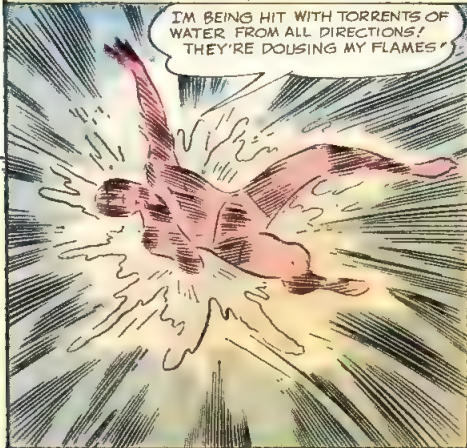
AT THAT SAME MOMENT, OUTSIDE TOWN...

NOW... AT MY TELEPATHIC COMMAND... THE HUGE HYDRANTS WILL DOUSE THE TORCH WITH WATER... LIKE A GARGANTUAN NEEDLE SHOWER!



A SPLIT INSTANT LATER, IN THE CITY...

I'M BEING HIT WITH TORRENTS OF WATER FROM ALL DIRECTIONS! THEY'RE DOUSING MY FLAMES!



THEN, AS THE BEWILDERED YOUTH FLAMES OUT...

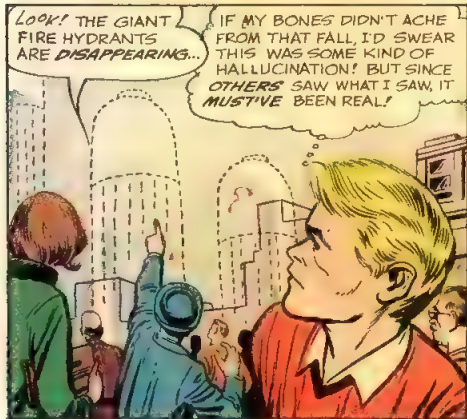
HE'S FALLING INTO THE GUTTER! HA! HA! WHAT A COME DOWN FOR THE FAMOUS TORCH! MEANWHILE, WE ESCAPE WITH A HUNDRED GRAND WORTH OF ICE!

LUCKY I HAD JUST ENOUGH FLAME TO BREAK MY FALL!



LOOK! THE GIANT FIRE HYDRANTS ARE DISAPPEARING...

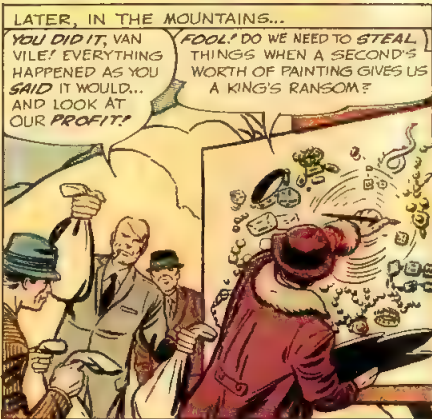
IF MY BONES DIDN'T ACHE FROM THAT FALL, I'D SWEAR THIS WAS SOME KIND OF HALLUCINATION! BUT SINCE OTHERS SAW WHAT I SAW, IT MUST'VE BEEN REAL!



LATER, IN THE MOUNTAINS...

YOU DID IT, VAN VILE! EVERYTHING HAPPENED AS YOU SAID IT WOULD... AND LOOK AT OUR PROFIT!

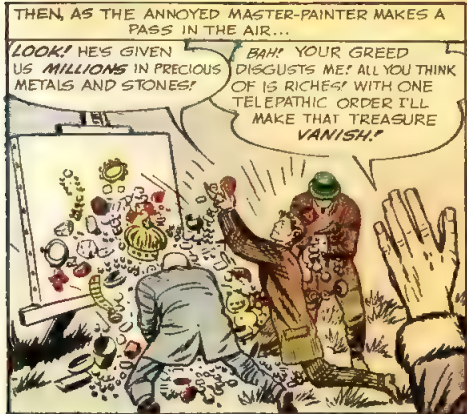
FOOL! DO WE NEED TO STEAL THINGS WHEN A SECOND'S WORTH OF PAINTING GIVES US A KING'S RANSOM?



THEN, AS THE ANNOYED MASTER-PAINTER MAKES A PASS IN THE AIR...

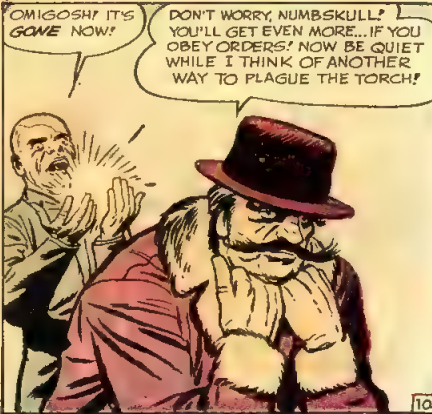
LOOK! HE'S GIVEN US MILLIONS IN PRECIOUS METALS AND STONES!

BAH! YOUR GREED DISGUSTS ME! ALL YOU THINK OF IS RICHES! WITH ONE TELEPATHIC ORDER I'LL MAKE THAT TREASURE VANISH!



OMIGOSH! IT'S GONE NOW!

DON'T WORRY, NUMBSKULL! YOU'LL GET EVEN MORE... IF YOU OBEY ORDERS! NOW BE QUIET WHILE I THINK OF ANOTHER WAY TO PLAGUE THE TORCH!



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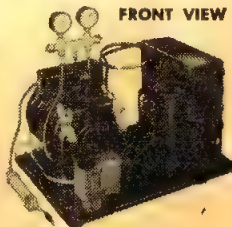
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NEXT DAY, AS JOHNNY STORM VISITS A SEA-SIDE CARNIVAL WITH HIS FRIENDS...

HOLY COW! THOSE MECHANICAL CREATURES ARE COMING TO LIFE!

DON'T PANIC! THE HUMAN TORCH'LL HANDLE 'EM!

FLAME ON!

SEE THE CREATURES FROM OUTER SPACE!

HIT THE

ALL BEASTS ARE TERRIFIED BY FIRE! SO I'LL STAMPEDE THOSE MONSTERS INTO THE SEA!

MEANWHILE, MANY MILES AWAY...

IF MY TIMING IS CORRECT, NOW IS THE MOMENT TO HIT THE HUMAN TORCH WITH A TIDAL WAVE OF SAND, ENOUGH TO EXTINGUISH THE FLAMES OF A VOLCANO!

AND SO, AS VAN VILE ISSUES A TELEPATHIC ORDER TO HIS PICTURE...

IT CAN'T BE! THE CREATURES ARE VANISHING JUST AS THOSE GIANT HYDRANTS DID! BUT... GREAT SCOTT!... THE BEACH IS RISING UP TO ENGULF ME!

MY FLAMES ARE BEING SMOTHERED BY THE EQUIVALENT OF A MILLION BUCKETS OF SAND! UMMMMPPPHHH...

AT THAT MOMENT, ELSEWHERE...

OKAY, VAN VILE... THE TORCH IS NOW BURIED UNDER TONS OF SAND! WHY DON'T YOU SETTLE FOR THAT AND GET YOUR REVENGE OVER WITH!

BECAUSE I HAVE A MORE PERFECT FINISH FOR HIM!

AND SO...

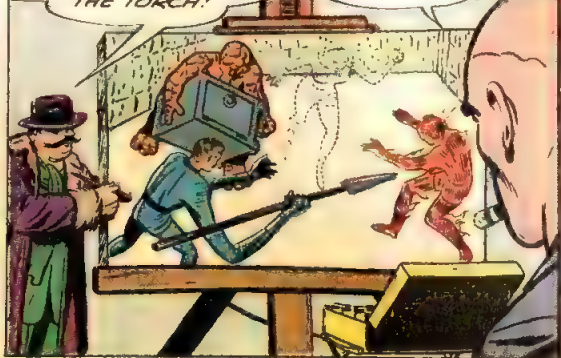
WHEW! I COULDN'T HAVE TAKEN MUCH MORE OF THAT SAND... BUT LUCKILY FOR ME, **IT VANISHED** AND I'M STILL ALIVE! BUT THERE'S SOMETHING FAMILIAR ABOUT THESE SUPERNATURAL OCCURRENCES! I MUST RECALL WHAT IT IS! I'VE GOT TO **THINK!**



NEXT MORNING, IN THE HILLS...

WELL, HERE IT IS, "SCAR"! MY MASTERPIECE! THREE MEMBERS OF THE **FANTASTIC FOUR** WILL **THEMSELVES** DESTROY THEIR OWN FRIEND, **THE TORCH!**

OKAY, GENIUS! MAKE YOUR MAGIC PASS AND THEN GOODBYE TORCH, WHEREVER HE IS!



SOON, IN AN ASBESTOS-LINED CELL THAT COMES OUT OF NOWHERE TO IMPRISON THE FIERY HERO...

YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME TRYING TO BREAK OUT OF THIS CELL, TORCH! YOU'RE **TRAPPED!!**

MISTER FANTASTIC! **THING!** **INVISIBLE GIRL!** WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



WE'RE GOING TO **FINISH** YOU!

RIGHT, KID! IT'S CURTAINS FOR YOU! **B-BUT YOU! ARE MY PARTNERS! I'M ONE OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR! HAVE YOU ALL GONE BATTY?**



BATTY, EH? JUST **WATCH!**

DUCK! THAT GRENADE'LL FINISH HIM OFF FOR GOOD!



THAT **DID IT!** NOW LET'S TELL THE WORLD THAT THE HUMAN TORCH IS DONE FOR! THANKS TO **US!!**

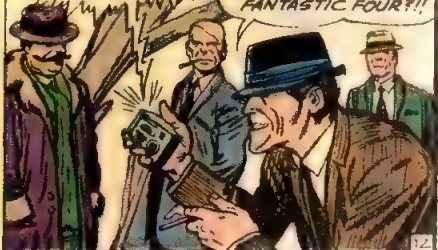
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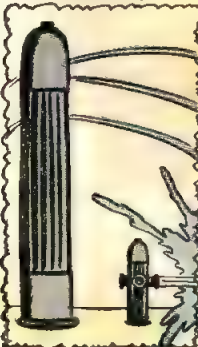
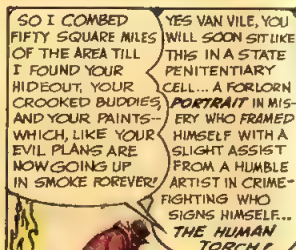
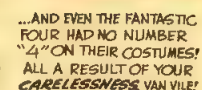
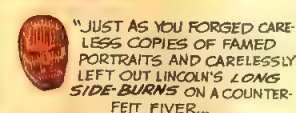
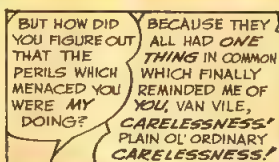
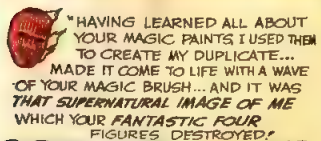
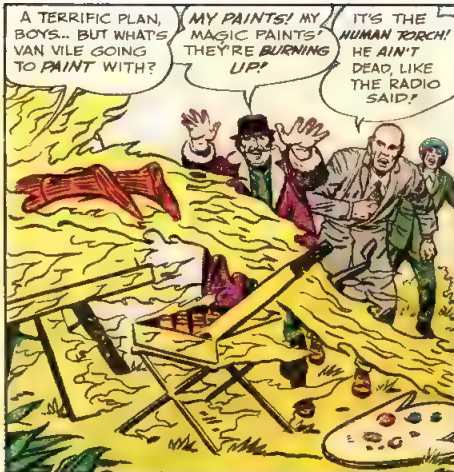


FINALLY, IN THE LONELY HILLS OUTSIDE OF TOWN...

...AND SO IT IS WITH SHOCK AND SORROW THAT WE MUST TELL THE WORLD THAT THE HUMAN TORCH HAS MET WITH AN UNTIMELY END...

HEAR THAT VAN VILE! YOU GOT YOUR VENGEANCE JUST AS YOU PLANNED! NOW SUPPOSE WE ELIMINATE THE **REST OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR!!**



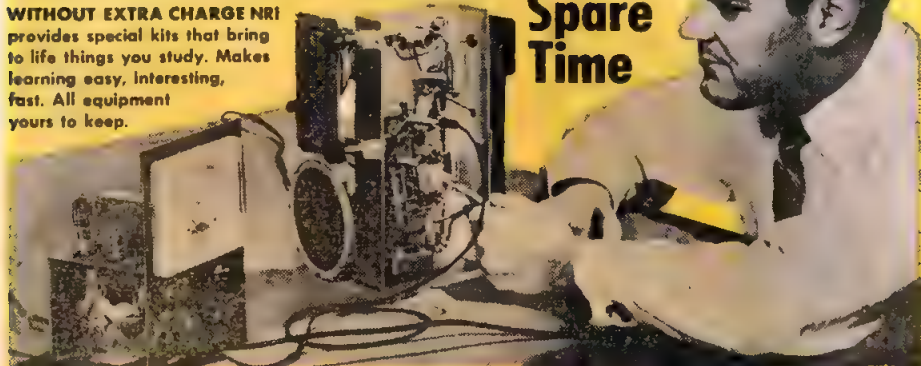


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THE SILENT GIANT

HE WAS THE
ONLY MAN OF
ALL TIME TO
ACHIEVE...
IMMORTALITY!
BUT OH, THE
WAY HE DID
IT!!



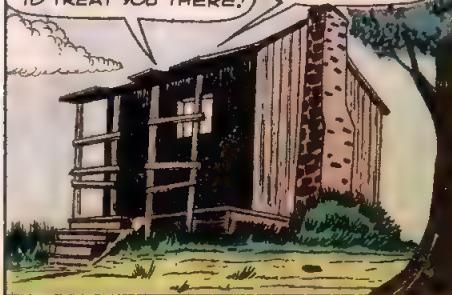
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OUR FANTASTIC TALE IS SAID TO HAVE HAPPENED A HUNDRED YEARS AGO BY THE EDGE OF A REDWOOD FOREST! THERE, IN A BROKEN-DOWN SHACK, LIVED AN OLD HERMIT...

WHY DON'T YOU MOVE TO TOWN, BEN? BE A LOT EASIER TO TREAT YOU THERE!

SORRY, DOC, BUT A TOWN AINT FOR ME!



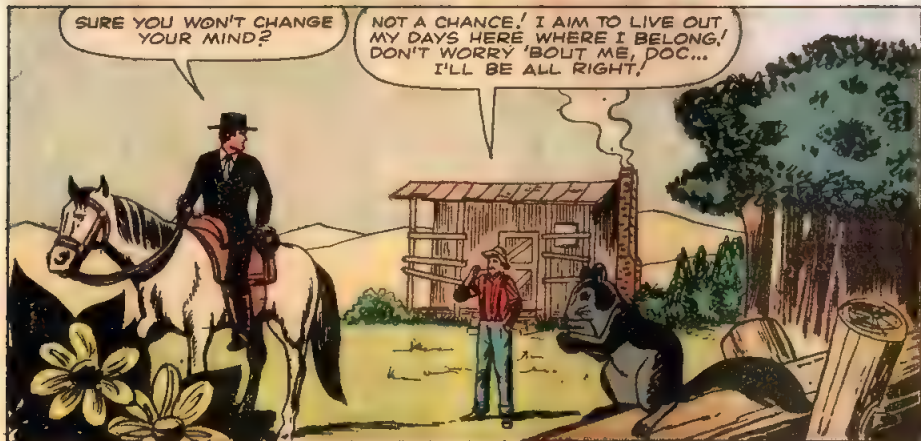
I LIVED ALONE OUT HERE ALL MY LIFE, AND I'M TOO SET IN MY WAYS T'CHANGE NOW!

WELL THEN, YOU'D BEST TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF! YOUR HEART'S NONE TOO STRONG!



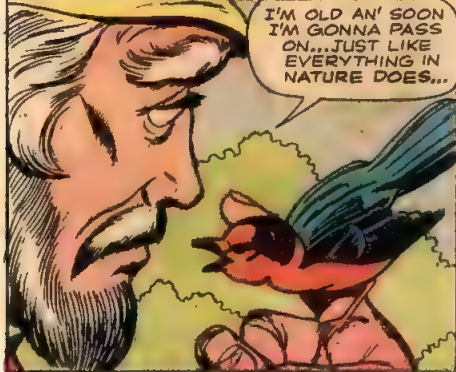
SURE YOU WON'T CHANGE YOUR MIND?

NOT A CHANCE! I AIM TO LIVE OUT MY DAYS HERE, WHERE I BELONG! DON'T WORRY 'BOUT ME, DOC... I'LL BE ALL RIGHT!



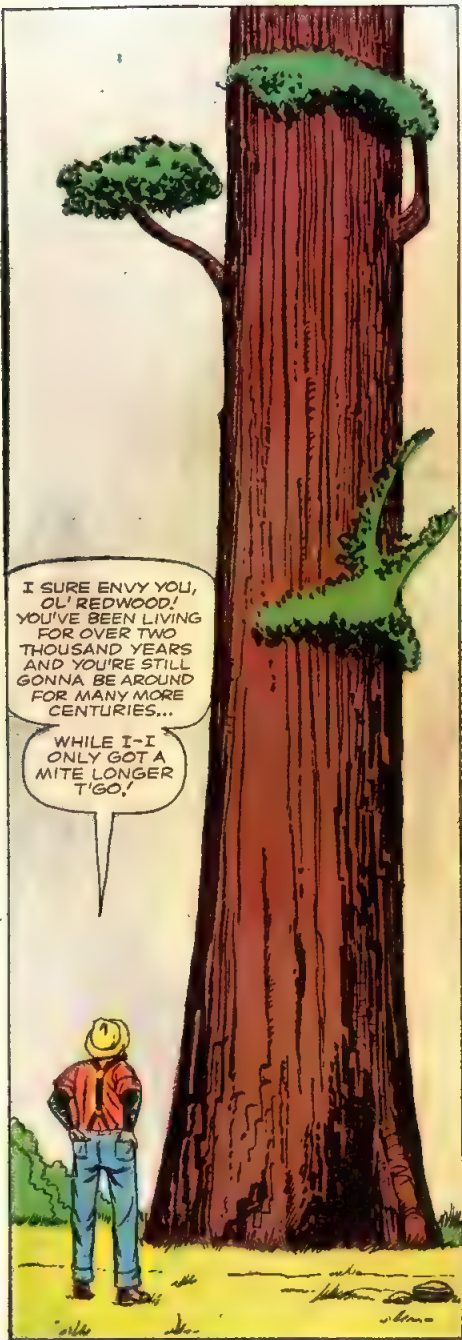
YES, BEN LOVED THE WILDERNESS IN WHICH HE DWELLED, BUT HE KNEW HE HADN'T MUCH LONGER TO ENJOY IT...

I'M OLD AN' SOON I'M GONNA PASS ON...JUST LIKE EVERYTHING IN NATURE DOES...



EVERYTHING, THAT IS, 'CEPTIN'... YOU!





I SURE ENVY YOU,
OL' REDWOOD!
YOU'VE BEEN LIVING
FOR OVER TWO
THOUSAND YEARS
AND YOU'RE STILL
GONNA BE AROUND
FOR MANY MORE
CENTURIES...

WHILE I-I
ONLY GOT A
MITE LONGER
T'GO!

IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED, THE OLD HERMIT SAT FOR HOURS, JUST STARING AT THE SILENT REDWOOD AND BROODING OVER THE FACT THAT THE GIANT TREE WAS VIRTUALLY IMMORTAL, WHILE **HIS** LIFE WAS ALMOST AT AN END!

T'AIN'T FAIR! YOU'RE NO
BETTER'N ME! IF **YOU** LIVE
FOR AGES, WHY CAN'T **I**?



EACH DAY, THE HERMIT'S BITTERNESS AND RESENTMENT INCREASED, UNTIL FINALLY...

I GOT A BRAIN! I GOT
FEELINGS! **YOU** HAVEN'T!
I'M MORE **HUMAN** THAN
YOU! I'M THE ONE WHO
SHOULD LIVE FOR
CENTURIES!



AND IF I
CAN'T-- THEN,
BY THUNDER,
NEITHER
WILL **YOU**!!

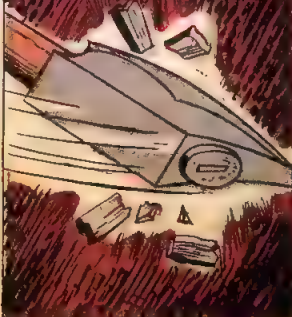


GRABBING HIS AX, THE HALF-CRAZED HERMIT TRIED FUTILELY TO FELL THE IMMENSE TREE...

I AINT GONNA LET YOU OUTLIVE ME...



YOU'RE JUST STANDIN' THERE, MOCKING ME!! WELL, TAKE THIS! AND THIS!



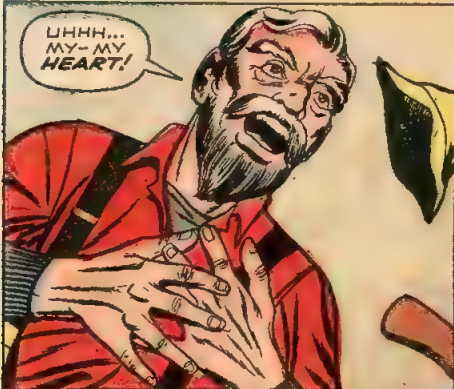
ONE AGED HUMAN, PUTTING ALL HIS FEEBLE STRENGTH AGAINST A GIANT OF NATURE! IT WAS A PITIFUL, HOPELESS CONTEST...

GETTIN' TIRED! TREE'S TOO BIG-- TOO STRONG-- BUT I CAN'T STOP!



AND FINALLY, IT ENDED THE ONLY WAY THAT IT COULD...

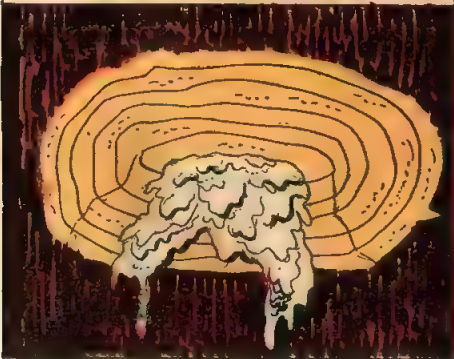
UHHH... MY-MY HEART!



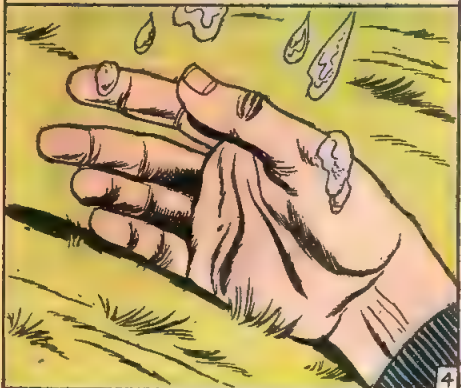
YOU'VE WON! CURSE YOU! YOU'VE BEATEN ME!



BUT THEN, SUDDENLY, UNEXPLAINABLY--AS THOUGH WEeping FOR A FALLEN FOE-- THE REDWOOD EXUDED A STRANGE SAP FROM ITS SMALL WOUND...



A SAP WHICH FELL, LIKE SILENT TEARS, UPON THE DYING MAN...



THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE DOCTOR AGAIN RODE OUT TO THE HERMIT'S SHACK...



BUT, AFTER SEARCHING THE WHOLE AREA...

I-I DON'T UNDERSTAND! HE'S NOWHERE AROUND!

HIS HEART WAS SO WEAK, I HALF EXPECTED TO FIND HIM DEAD! BUT, IF HE *DID* DIE, WHERE'S HIS BODY?



BAFFLED, THE DOCTOR WAS ABOUT TO HEAD BACK TO TOWN, WHEN...

STRANGE-- I COULD'VE SWORN THERE WAS ONLY *ONE* REDWOOD TREE ON BEN'S PROPERTY...



... BUT THERE ARE *TWO* OF 'EM! FUNNY THAT I NEVER *NOTICED* THE SECOND ONE BEFORE!

OH WELL, I HAVE MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO THAN LOOK AT TREES!



AND SO, IN HER OWN STRANGE, UNFATHOM-ABLE WAY, FATE GRANTED THE OLD HERMIT HIS WISH! HE WAS DESTINED TO LIVE MANY, MANY YEARS LONGER... JUST AS LONG, IN FACT, AS *ANY* MIGHTY REDWOOD!!



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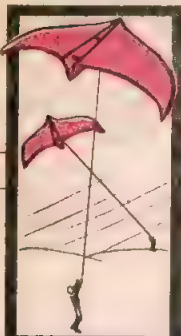
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ty of a 14-year-old mechanical wizard. "I've been collecting spare parts, springs and a motor from the junkyard. So far, I've just tinkered with them in various combinations, but I'm sure I could rig up a gadget that would do the trick for us."

"Heaven help us if that's the only assistance we'll get," John Tyler responded sadly. "However, if you got the energy and the will-power, go right ahead. Any distraction from the heat is an immediate advantage."

Soon Bobby was busily engaged in sorting a mass of metal parts, a huge motor, an auto fan, and electrical wiring out on the back lawn. After a short while his project began to take shape. Soon, he sat back and inspected his handiwork. A little rust showed in spots, and some of the screws and hinges seemed a bit worn. Otherwise, the machine seemed sturdily put together.

"I'm all ready to hook her up," Bobby shouted excitedly to his folks inside. "I'll use the outlet in the garage, so that we can test the fan out here first."

"When Bobby pushed the switch forward, a powerful whirling sound emerged from the fast-spinning blades. As the fan gained momentum, the soft purr turned to a roar. Bobby watched with glowing pride.

"I think I'll throw it on exhaust now," he announced. "That way we'll see how much suction it has to draw off the heat and moisture from the rooms."

With a deft flick of his finger, Bobby reversed the operation of

his machine. Now the noise was stilled almost to a whisper, and Bobby leaned forward to observe its effectiveness. At first, he registered keen disappointment. Then, he glanced upward and his face came alive.

"Look, Mom and Dad," he called incredulously. "It's got such a powerful pull, even the trees seem to be straining in that direction. The limbs are actually leaning toward the fan."

The Tylers managed to throw off their lethargy and join Bobby in the back yard. Their



eyes bulged with disbelief as they gazed at the spectacle around them. The trees and telegraph poles resembled the leaning tower of Pisa and even birds in flight seemed to be drawn down toward the fan.

Suddenly, a strange sight flashed in front of them. An odd saucer-shaped object streaked out of the sky and skidded to a sudden stop in front of the fan. While the Tylers stared wonderingly at it, they became aware of a cool wind whipping at their clothes.

"Why the heat seems to

have lifted," John Tyler stammered in surprise. "And what a delightful breeze. But how can we explain it?"

There were many other thankful people who were interested in the explanation, too. They were government observers, drawn to the Tyler home by the descent of the strange out-of-space phenomenon on the back lawn. They were also drawn to the fan which Bobby had so ingeniously assembled.

"The fan must have been hooked up on the same frequency as that space object," one scientist mused. "Without knowing it, the boy beamed it right in here for a perfect landing. Somehow, he destroyed its outer radio control. And once it came down, the pressure of heat and humidity was immediately lifted."

Many people speculated about the origin of the "Outer Space Object" which the government soon declared out-of-bounds. Some insisted that it was just a misdirected meteor. Others silently took to a study of the stars at night.

But on one point, all agreed. Bobby Tyler was a national hero. In some way, he had averted a heat disaster. After undergoing careful analysis of its content and structure, his fan was enshrined in the museum. Since then, there have been no alarming heat waves. Some people have almost forgotten them completely. Some people think they're just a bad dream.

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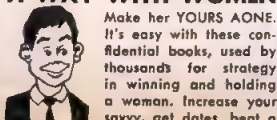
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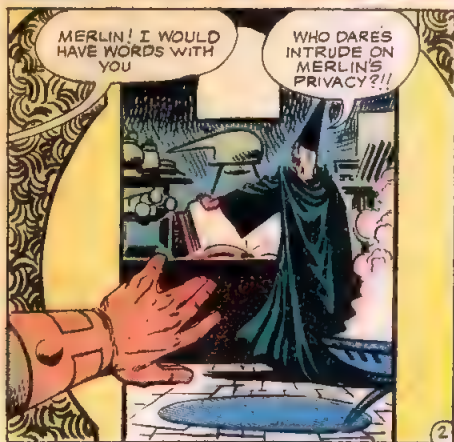
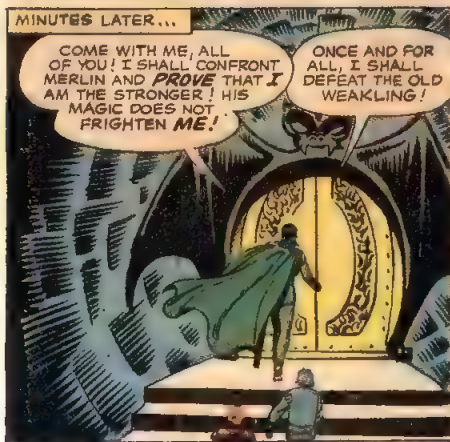
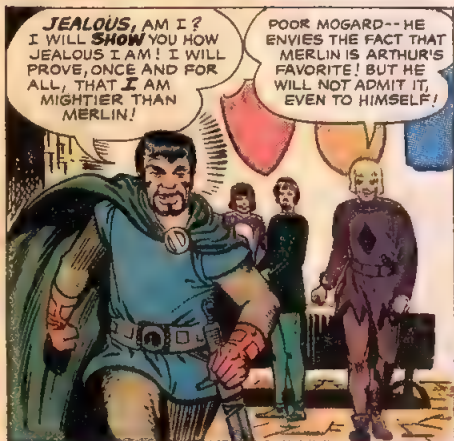
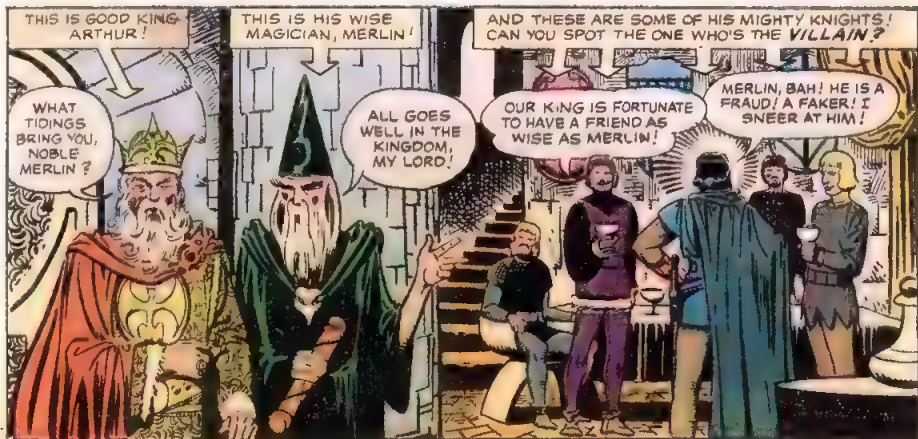
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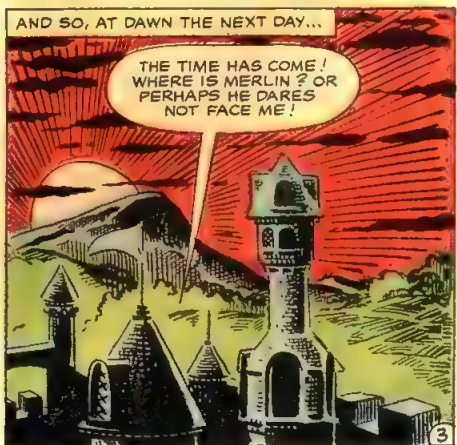


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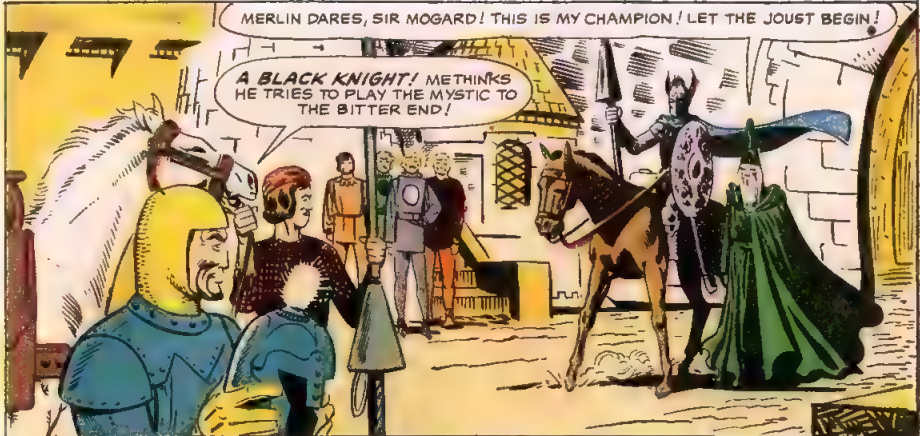
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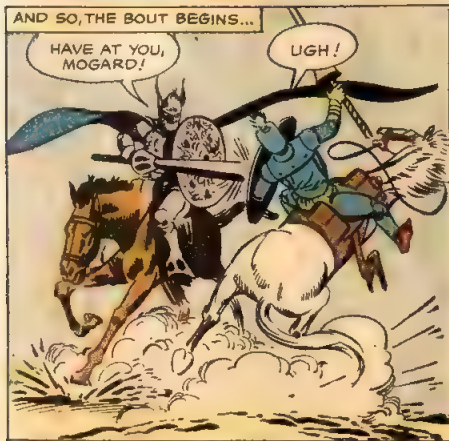
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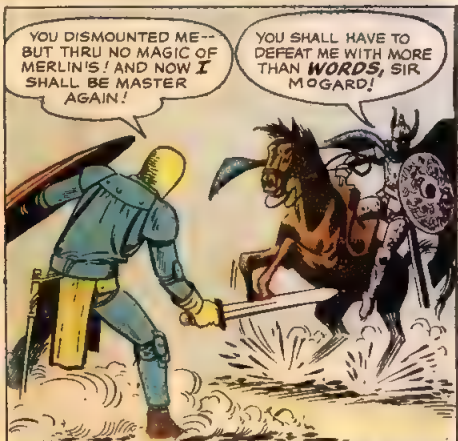
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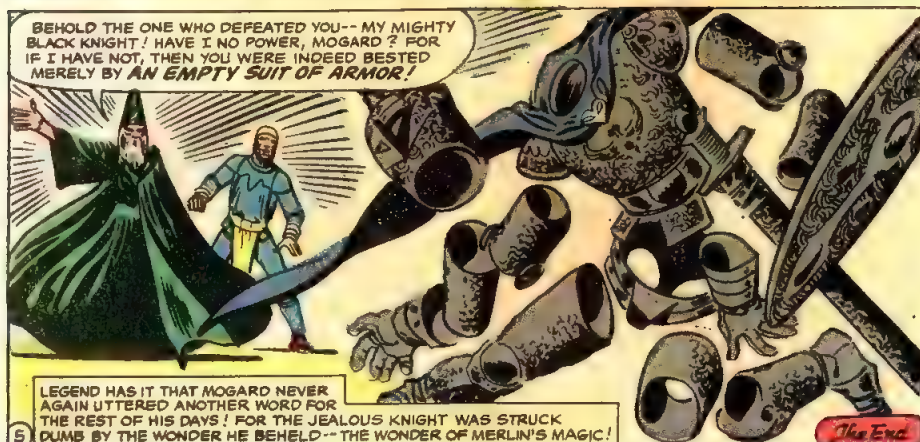
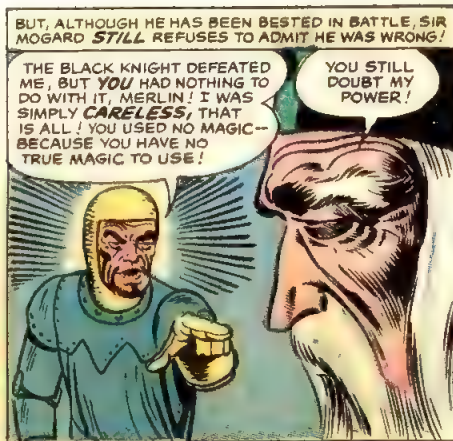
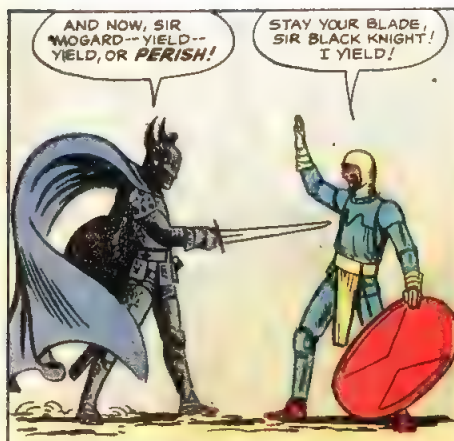


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